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RE: Docket # 99N-4282

Dear Dr. Henney,

I am distressed that the Food and Drug Administration is ignoring
medical and scientific warnings about genetically modified (GMO
or GE) food. The FDA seems to believe that the American public is
not concerned about genetically modified foods, despite numerous
polls showing that Americans want mandatory labeling and pre-
market testing of GMO food.

I agree with the medical journal *The Lancet*, which stated that
governments should never have approved genetically altered food
without insisting on rigorous testing. Recently, the prestigious
science journal *Nature* published an article that strongly opposed
the FDA's stance on GMO food. This summer, ten Canadian
scientists wrote "**Scientifically** credible evidence is simply not
available to support the sweeping conclusion that GE foods are
safe for human consumption." The British Medical Association,
representing over 100,000 doctors, published its report on GMO
food this year. The BMA warned that adverse effects from GMOs are
irreversible, and called for a moratorium on GMO crops.

I strongly urge the FDA to reverse its policy and demand long-
term study for possible adverse environmental and health effects
before these foods are allowed on the market. I also demand that
the FDA require labeling of all genetically engineered foods, so
that I and all American consumers can have the opportunity to
choose whether or not we want to consume GMO food.

Most sincerely,

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I am particularly concerned over
certain animal/plant hybrids
and development of seedless plants,
and their possible negative effects.

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